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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for responding to the office action dated September 13, 2005, be extended for 3 months, to and including March 13, 2006.

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Respectfully submitted,

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